



CALIFORNIA WATER PLAN, UPDATE 2013

Highlights Workshop

For Use at December 10, 2013 Meeting Only

Proposed “Takeaway” Messages of Update 2013 Highlights Booklet

- (1) **Water is California’s Life Blood.** Every living thing in the state, as well as our economy, depends on reliable, clean water to thrive.
- (2) **California’s Complex Water Resources System is in Crisis.** Our interconnected system of water resources – natural and manmade – is severely threatened on many fronts, with significant risks to our health and safety and economic well-being.
- (3) **A Diverse Portfolio Approach is Required to Address the Challenges.** The complexity of our water resources systems and the associated risks demand a diverse set of actions and investment strategies. There is no silver bullet.
- (4) **The Solution Requires Integration, Alignment and Investment.** Commitment to the integrated water management approach, alignment towards a common vision, and stable financing are essential to ensure future resiliency.
- (5) **We All Have a Role to Play in Securing Our Future.** Decision makers, resource agencies, water resource managers and interest groups at the State, federal, Tribal and local levels need to actively engage in the solution.

As a reader, does each section of the Highlights tell you:

- Why you should **care**?
- What you should **know**?
- What you should **do**?